



Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

Executive Director's 2019 Goals

Goal 1: Increase awareness of the Commission among legislators and the general public

Action Steps:

1. Continue meetings with General Assembly standing committee chairs and ranking minority members for committees that are pertinent to children
2. Hold a State of the Child event in partnership with IYI at the State House.
3. Work with Communications Committee to promote Commission accomplishments and actions, including strengthening the annual report and its strategic dissemination
4. Present to relevant stakeholders (professionals, youth and families) at conferences and other events both statewide and regional/local

Goal 2: Produce action on the Commission's strategic plan

Action Steps:

1. Attend task force meetings
2. Maintain strategic plan tracker with assistance of task force co-chairs
3. Encourage task forces to bring recommendations, reports, completed objectives to Commission
4. Ensure Executive Committee and Commission agendas are well prepared, with all relevant documentation on action items provided with sufficient time for review
5. Seek, find, and act upon opportunities to coordinate efforts among various groups to reduce duplication, pool resources, and stimulate quicker action. Help each group to see its role within the context of the whole.

Goal 3: Increase accountability by reporting outcomes of Commission actions

Action Steps:

1. Seek follow-up information from task forces and other stakeholders on the implementation of Commission-approved actions
2. Track and report outcome information, including both process and relevant data measures (even if not directly attributable to Commission action)
3. Develop an accountability report template and begin using at every Commission meeting
4. Include information in the annual report about the outcomes of previous years' actions

Goal 4: Increase input from community, youth, and underrepresented groups

Action Steps:

1. Seek opportunities to connect with youth and families to understand their experiences with state systems
2. Develop ways for youth and families to have systematic input in the Commission's work
3. Support the work of the Equity, Inclusion, and Cultural Competence work group to ensure all voices are heard and respected and all communities and groups of children are visible.

Goal 5: Increase use of data

Action Steps:

1. Encourage and support the use of need and impact data disaggregated by race and ethnicity
2. Continue to connect with MPH and support action and outcome from the data-sharing committee
3. Seek ways to embed data into Commission routines (action items, agendas, meetings)